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A start-up company is betting that the American health care market is ready to buy into *smart cards*.

RealMed Corp., Indianapolis, expects to start testing its RealMed *smart card* program in January with undisclosed participants.

RealMed executives envision a program that includes provider organizations, payers and financial institutions in a private information network that enables the immediate submission, adjudication and *payment* of *claims*.

The company has no signed contracts, but expects to announce agreements early next year.

Under the new network, patients will carry *smart cards* with a computer chip that stores demographic, financial and *insurance* benefits information.

By reading information from the chip into a personal computer linked to the patient's *insurance* company, a physician's office quickly will be able to determine the patient's eligibility for coverage, then submit the *claim* to the patient's insurer following treatment, the company says.

The company hopes the insurer then will immediately adjudicate the *claim* and pay the physician through an electronic funds transfer. Finally, the patient could instantly pay his or her portion of the bill from a bank account electronic funds transfer or by credit *card*.

RealMed is using *smart cards* to store patient financial information that will enable electronic funds transfers, says Mark Morris, CFO of RealMed.

Because *smart cards* are scaleable, clinical data or stored value may be added later, he adds.

A stored value *card* acts as a credit or debit *card* with the monetary value actually in the *card*. As money is spent, it is deducted from the value on the *card*.

One of the principal investors in RealMed is Gemplus Corp., Gemenoes, France, a major vendor of *smart cards* that markets similar health care chip *cards* in Europe.

The cost to physicians of joining the RealMed network will be \$250 per year.

This includes leasing the hardware, which consists of a personal computer and a *smart card* reader *terminal*; software licensing; and technical support.

RealMed is using *smart card* readers from Gemplus, hardware from Digital Equipment Corp., Marlborough, Mass., and software from Microsoft Corp., Redmond, Wash. The RealMed network will run on the MCI Telecommunications network.

Providers participating in RealMed will pay about \$2.50 per transaction, which includes eligibility verification, *claims* submission, adjudication and *payment*, Morris says.

Participating insurers will give providers a 50-cent rebate for every transaction conducted over the network, he adds.

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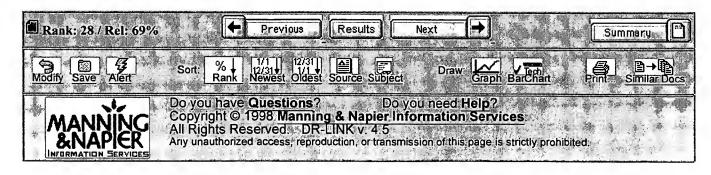
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COMMERCIAL DATABASE SEARCH FOR 09/098481 DIALOG, DR-LINK

Prepared for: Demetra Smith, 2764

By : Ellen Lytton, EIC/CPAC 308-7793

* Date : September 29, 1999

Demetra:

Attached is the search you requested on the distribution of charges in an expense report/insurance claim in which a bill server charges the insurance co./company for reimbursable expenses and charges a personal credit card for non-reimbursable expenses. There are several companies offering an insurance payment system that appears to fit this model. I did not find anything as appropriate in the travel expense area.

Please let me know if you would like to refocus or modifyt the search in any way.

Ellen

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ABSTRACT: Discusses a new service from Blue Cross of California called the Blue Cross of California Claims -Free Medicare Supplement Service. This service eliminates the need for senior citizens to submit paper claims for reimbursement under Medicare supplemental health plans. Blue Cross electronically matches the names of Medicare supplemental subscribers against Medicare Part A claims which cover hospitalization. Because Blue Cross also has contracts with Blue Shield and Transamerica Occidental Life Insurance Company, who are Medicare Part B carriers, the plan will also process claims for physician services. (Author/CKP)

DESCRIPTORS: Blue Cross And Blue Shield Plans; California; Product Development; Social Health Insurance

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00039343

Encourage Medicare providers to automate. Employee Benefit Plan Review, Apr 1986, p46

DOC TYPE: Journal Article

JOURNAL CODE: EBPR

ABSTRACT: In an attempt to speed up the transition to electronic processing , the Health Care Financing Administration has proposed that all Medicare providers who wish to be reimbursed through the periodic interim payment (PIP) method must submit their Medicare claims electronically . (Author)

DESCRIPTORS: Electronic Data Processing; Social Insurance; Third Party

Administrators

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00198123

Cross country checkup.

Canadian Insurance, Dec 1997, p22

DOC TYPE: Journal Article

JOURNAL CODE: CI

ABSTRACT: British Columbia brokers are advertising to fight the challenge from direct writers, measuring the solvency of insurers against earthquake risk, and advising the government about an earthquake product. Alberta brokers are examining membership rules for the Independent Insurance Brokers Association of Alberta (IIBA), anticipating the province's re-write of the Insurance Act in 1998 in the direction of re-regulation and self-policing, and monitoring the continuing rise in claims settlement costs. Saskatchewan brokers continue to be concerned with education issues, while the province's public insurer, SGI, solicits public feedback on how to implement a series of general rate increases and the approved increase in the deductible for auto insurance. The industry and brokers in Manitoba are turning their attention from flood and weather-related problems to such problems as direct writers and approved increases in auto insurance rates. In Quebec, Bills 134 and 167 are under discussion, which propose giving Caisses Populaires and licensed depository institutions the right to sell insurance over the counter. Newfoundland may move to a no-fault auto insurance product as a result of Atlantic harmonization and pending recommendations of the Select Committee on Property and Casualty Insurance. Nova Scotia brokers have granted affiliate non-voting member status to brokerages owned or controlled by financial institutions and insurance companies. New Brunswick brokers want a more grass-roots approach from their association and help from them in clearing up the confusing aspects of information processing systems. Prince Edward Island brokers are in favour of partial harmonization, that would retain multiple superintendents and regulatory boards for the individual regions while standardizing forms and policies for all. (Author/JPS)

COUNTRY: FOREIGN

DESCRIPTORS: Brokers; Canada

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00183975

Electronic claims filing would reduce Medicare costs: OIG.

Employee Benefit Plan Review, Nov 1996, p48

DOC TYPE: Journal Article

JOURNAL CODE: EBPR

ABSTRACT: The Medicare program would save between \$34 million and \$126 million in administrative costs if all physicians filed their Medicare reimbursement claims electronically, according to a report from the Department of Health and Human Services' Office of Inspector General (OIG). (Author/PGG)

COUNTRY: UNITED STATES

DESCRIPTORS: Claims; Electronic Data Processing; Medical Cost Containment; Social Health Insurance

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00085324

Calif. Blue Cross drops paper claims on Medicare supp.

National Underwriter: Life & Health/Financial Services, Jan 9 1989, p12

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01702854 DOCUMENT TYPE: Product

PRODUCT NAME: Advantage 2.2 (702854)

Deltek Systems Inc (518794) 8280 Greensboro Dr #300 McLean, VA 22102 United States TELEPHONE: (703) 734-8606

RECORD TYPE: Directory

CONTACT: Sales Department

Advantage 2.2 tracks everyday project information like checks, timesheets, expense reports and invoices . It uses a project-based approach to financial management that lets users think in the terms with which they usually work. Special forms and screens make data entry easy. The system comes with a complete set of hard-copy data entry forms that match the layout of the data entry screens. Lookup windows help users enter the correct information and data is validated automatically as it is entered. Users can build a complete history of their projects, accounts receivable, general ledger and other important aspects of business before they begin entering new transactions or they can build the firm's history as they use the software . Individual companies can tailor their own charts of accounts. Users can budget and track projects at cost and billing rates and determine project report structure by discipline, phase or activity. The power and efficiency of the program is enhanced by the integrated nature of its modules including Project Control, Accounting, Billing, Payroll, Accounts Payable, Profit Center Reporting, Timekeeper and Expensekeeper. Inputs to the system include project management data such as budgets, timesheets and expenses and firmwide information such as employee data, cash receipts and disbursements and journal entries. The Project Control module is the foundation and runs as a standalone module or can be integrated with other modules for added flexibility and performance. It tracks actual versus budgeted labor costs, overhead and direct and reimbursable expenses. Revenues, receivable and project profit are tracked when the Accounting module is installed. Billing data is automated when the Billing module is installed. In addition to comprehensive project reporting, Project Control generates employee productivity reports. It also uses selective reporting to let project managers view labor and expenses on individual projects. The module comes with comprehensive reports for both managers and the account staff. While retaining the project control functionality at the heart of the system, the software includes many new features requested by clients. It allows the customization of reports, the processing of data cleanly and the tailoring of invoices to meet internal and client billing requirements. The ability to switch to any period for processing and reporting enables users to work in multiple periods.

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01586463 DOCUMENT TYPE: Product

PRODUCT NAME: SmartStream Financials 4.1 (586463)

Geac SmartStream (485306) 66 Perimeter Center E Atlanta, GA 30346 United States TELEPHONE: (404) 239-2000 RECORD TYPE: Directory

CONTACT: Sales Department

SmartStream Financials 4.1 includes five applications, Ledger, Receivables, Asset Management, Payables and allocations, that users can implement individually or in combination. All applications feature: (1) SmartStream's configurable workflow to streamline business processes; (2) flexible, user-definable elements, from account keys to balance types, to tailor the application to an organization; (3) enterprise policies to minimize data re-entry and ensure accounting control; and (4) multinational and multicurrency features to support global operations. SmartStream Ledger provides a complete solution for the effective control, management and reporting of business activities. Key features include a user-defined account key; seamless drill-back from ledger balances to the actual supporting documents; multiple-level consolidations; flexible spreadsheet integration; unlimited account balance types; workflow-managed journal approvals and average balance functionality. SmartStream Receivables lets users manage their investment in receivables, improve cash flow and evaluate credit risks. Key features include management of receivables aging and write-offs; management of customer remittances in the form of cash, bank drafts or EDI transactions; online histories of receivable and remittance activity and automated credit line and collections facilities. SmartStream Asset Management helps users control their investments in capital equipment and manage depreciation for maximum tax benefits. Key features include efficient handling of a wide range of depreciation methods, country-specific tax reporting and depreciation structures for Australia, Canada, France, the U.K. and the U.S., among others and workflow-managed processes to easily add, transfer and retire assets. SmartStream Payables lets users generate payments from a wide range of payment requests including matched and non-matched invoices , check requests, travel reimbursements and customer refunds. Key features include automatic matching of invoices to purchase orders and receipts, resolution of matching exceptions via workflow, flexible options to pay by check, bank draft or electronic service in generic and country-specific formats and facilities to increase accuracy and ease in entering data from invoices . SmartStream Allocations allows users to redistribute any amount to better measure business performance, such as allocating indirect revenues or expenses to individual product lines to better measure true profitability. Key features include the use of any budget or ledger account balance for allocation inputs, a wide range of calculation methods, unattended execution, step-down allocations and a choice of outputs, including automatic creation of journal entries. Smartstream Applications share a set of common application services to manage vendor, bank, currency and calendar information. These services maintain consistent and detailed information for vendors and banks, help users manage typically cumbersome tasks such as currency-rate maintenance and automate bank statement reconciliation and calendar setup. All of the program's users can access a wide range of enabling tools provided with the SmartStream desktop.

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01539821 DOCUMENT TYPE: Product

PRODUCT NAME: SQL*TIME Financials 4.9.3 (539821)

Design Data Systems Corp (592064) 13830 58th St N #401 Clearwater, FL 33760 United States TELEPHONE: (727) 539-1077

RECORD TYPE: Directory

CONTACT: Sales Department

SQL*TIME Financial 4.9.3 allows users to forecast, monitor and control financial results enterprise wide and seamlessly integrate accounting with Sales, Distribution, Contracts, Projects and Customer Service. They can use the Internet to streamline management of customer and vendor accounts, billing and payments. Users can also control operating costs, credit and cash flows and increase revenues, profits and return on assets. SQL*TIME Financials applications include: (1) General Ledger to automate GL entries from all source applications as well as allocations, recurring and reversing entries, balancing entries for inter-company transactions and currency revaluation; (2) Accounts Receivable to automate invoicing, collection cash application and journal entries, globally from all sources including recurring support agreements and control credit and enhance customer satisfaction; (3) Accounts Payable to automate three-way receipt, invoice and purchase order matching and to obtain discounts, optimize cash flows and comply with tax regulations; (4) Employee Expense Accounting to track, distribute and reconcile expenses, advances and reimbursements automatically via integrated employee subsidiary ledgers; (5) Fixed Assets Management to track and control capital asset investments including amortization, depreciation and changes and comply with tax regulations, accounting standards and internal policies; (6) Budgeting & Forecasting to plan revenues, funding and expenditures and monitor performance to plan for all entities, contracts, projects, products and service lines; (7) Encumbrance Accounting to control funds, commitments and accounting standards compliance for national, state or local governments and contracts as well as other non-profit organizations; and (8) FRx Financial Reporting to provide timely, relevant managerial and external financial reporting via industry-leading, Web-enabled general ledger reporting tools.

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01466336 DOCUMENT TYPE: Product

PRODUCT NAME: Integral Pension Benefits Administration (466336)

Integral Systems Inc (614378)
2730 Shadelands Dr #101
Walnut Creek, CA 94598-2515 United States
TELEPHONE: (925) 939-3900

RECORD TYPE: Directory

CONTACT: Sales Department

Integral Pension Benefits Administration provides a wide range of benefits and capabilities that are fully integrated within Integral's payroll and human resource system products. These include medical, dental, life and disability insurance, tax-deferred savings and profit-sharing plans, along with full COBRA support. In addition, the system is designed to offer the most powerful, flexible compensation and pension benefits administration systems available. The software 's benefits eligibility rules ensure employee participation is fully qualified. These rules constantly monitor payroll and human resource information. When a change in status is about to occur, reminders and action notices are automatically sent to the appropriate individuals via electronic mail or periodic reports. The flexible compensation system simplifies the complex task of enrollment and ongoing administration and reduces the effort required for spending accounting management. Annual and ongoing enrollments are streamlined with personal election forms, automated reminder notices and online, realtime modeling of flexible compensation options. The Spending Account

Administration module processes employee reimbursement aims and reconciles spending account liabilities. A Report Writer allows virtually any benefits-oriented report to be available.

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01370452 DOCUMENT TYPE: Product

PRODUCT NAME: OCR for FORMS 2.0 (370452)

Microsystems Technology Inc (526002) 1 Tampa City Center #S-3410 Tampa, FL 33602 United States TELEPHONE: (813) 222-0414

RECORD TYPE: Directory

CONTACT: Sales Department

OCR for FORMS 2.0 is designed to meet the forms processing needs of both the high and low ends of the data entry market. This product helps companies automate their data entry functions as well as automatically index images into an image management system. It is a generic product and applicable to any forms processing environment. The system has been successful processing health claims , insurance reimbursements , accounting invoices , contracts, mortgage applications, surveys/questionnaires, benefit participation forms, pledge forms, personnel applications, check remittance advices, traffic tickets, emergency response forms, time cards, government filings, order forms, etc. Features include: (1) unprecedented form removal and character regeneration techniques; (2) automatic form identification and exception handling; (3) pre- and post-processing rules; (4) table (user defined and/or ODBC) validation; (5) accurate and consistent output; (6) machine print, handprint, optical mark, bar code and reader response recognition; (7) high speed split screen verification and review/correction process; (8) process dot matrix printed forms and image enhancement; (9) image archiving without the form; (10) unattended processing; (11) high percentage of recognition/minimum questionable characters; (12) client/server (DDE) interface: (13) custom user interface (DLL), etc.; (14) compatible with most major imaging systems; and (15) batch **processing** /form family **processing** with controls. The product is a completely scaleable solution. Utilized on a network, a site can include the functionality that they require to handle the current workload and add only those functions that they need as their workload increases. Stations can include scanning, form identification, processing (form removal/OCR/ICR/OMR), verification and/or retrieval functions.

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01209538 DOCUMENT TYPE: Product

PRODUCT NAME: Travis/Flex for Windows 6.5 (209538)

Travis Software Corp (421677)
PO Box 820469
Houston, TX 77282-0469 United States
TELEPHONE: (281) 496-3737

RECORD TYPE: Directory

CONTACT: Sales Department

Travis/Flex for Windows 6.0 is a fully automated system designed to administer conversion or Full Flex plans with benefit credits and flexible spending accounts. The system produces election forms, generates reimbursement checks and provides financial reporting. The system features claims duplication testing, account balance verification prior to payment and automatic posting of salary deductions regardless of payroll frequency.

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01018762

DOCUMENT TYPE: Product

PRODUCT NAME: Down To Earth Accounts Receivable 3x (018762)

Synergex (005266) 2330 Gold Meadow Way Gold River, CA 95670 United States TELEPHONE: (916) 635-7300

RECORD TYPE: Directory

CONTACT: Sales Department

Down To Earth Accounts Receivable 3x manages cash receipts and income and interfaces with the Order Entry, General Ledger and Job Costing systems. Features include: (1) recurring charge processing; (2) open item and balance forward invoice tracking; (3) user-defined aging periods; (4) direct invoicing; (5) user-defined dunning letters; (6) small balance write-off customer average-days-to-pay calculation; and (7) extensive sales tax distribution.

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01017959 DOCUMENT TYPE: Product

PRODUCT NAME: Travel Expense Management System (TEMS) (017959)

Computer Related Services Inc (238619)

Pembroke V #108IS

Virginia Beach, VA 23462 United States

TELEPHONE: (804) 499-8911

RECORD TYPE: Directory

CONTACT: Sales Department

Travel Expense Management System (TEMS) is a set of programs for monitoring and controlling travel and entertainment expenses. A direct interface to a host computer Accounts Payable and General Ledger system is provided and can optionally be utilized. The windowing techniques found throughout the system make the package user friendly. The program is designed to fit any organization regardless of the size of the travel expense budget. It can: (1) make and reconcile cash advances to employees for trips; (2) reimburse outside salespeople for out-of-pocket travel or entertainment expenses; (3) reconcile duplicate claims or overcharges for travel items; (4) track travel or entertainment expenses incurred for a given salesperson, branch

office, district or ledger account number; (5) develop a wavel and entertainment expense budget by reviewing historical information; (6) reconcile credit card statements; (7) make direct-deposit ACH payments; and (8) handle decentralized **electronic** expense voucher preparation including the use of laptop computers.

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01015400 DOCUMENT TYPE: Prod

PRODUCT NAME: Co-Op Advertising (015400)

Jere V Horwitz & Associates Inc (046876)

9102 N Meridian St #500

Indianapolis, IN 46260-1809 United States

TELEPHONE: (317) 815-3900

RECORD TYPE: Directory

CONTACT: Sales Department

The Co-Op Advertising system provides flexible and efficient processing of advertising claims. Service charges are user-defined, as a percentage or flat rate. The system supports open and limited accrual, with automatic tracking of escrow and reimbursement fund balances. The user can define dealers, participants, rejection codes, forms for different payment methods and product classes for manufacturers who want to track this information. Claim entry is user-oriented with online HELP available throughout the program. The system aids claim processing by checking the advertisement run and submission dates, valid media type and cumulative fund totals for both the dealer and the fund. If a claim is rejected, user-defined rejection codes are employed to explain why. The payment cycle allows the selection of claims by pay cycle codes.

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00111198 DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

PRODUCT NAMES: E-Banking (839299)

TITLE: On-line Insurance Serves As Confidence-Builder

AUTHOR: Curley, Bob

SOURCE: Bank Systems & Technology, v35 n8 p38(1) Aug 1998

ISSN: 1045-9472

HOMEPAGE: http://www.banktech.com

RECORD TYPE: Review

REVIEW TYPE: Product Analysis GRADE: Product Analysis, No Rating

NCR's SafeWeb Remote Banking Insurance, a program that protects consumers against fraudulent **electronic** banking transactions, gives each customer of users' banks \$1,000 of insurance coverage. The insurer is Travelers Property Casualty. Banks are not charged for the base coverage, but can buy more insurance up to \$25,000 for each customer, says a spokesman for NCR. SafeWeb appears to cover all online transactions conducted by customers of 27 banks that use NCR Internet banking products. They include Coastal Federal Savings Bank, Hudson Savings Bank, and Nantucket Bank. Internet and

dial-up PC banking transactions are covered by SafeWeb, and are generally considered very secure in the banking industry. However, the general banking public has a lower level of confidence. Although `perception is reality,' says NCR's spokesman, the firm is confident of the protection of its firewalls and encryption. SafeWeb will initially be most useful as a marketing tool because statistics indicate that concern about security slows acceptance of online PC banking. With SafeWeb, customers can relax in the knowledge that a loss is protected. The possible claims that could emerge are not known, and the insurer has to pay the full loss, since SafeWeb has no deductible.

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00110481 DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

PRODUCT NAMES: Advertising (830992)

TITLE: Zapotec Zaps Co-Op Blues

AUTHOR: Jastrow, David

SOURCE: Computer Reseller News, v792 p41(2) Jun 8, 1998

ISSN: 0893-8377

HOMEPAGE: http://www.crn.com

RECORD TYPE: Review

REVIEW TYPE: Product Analysis

GRADE: Product Analysis, No Rating

Zapotec Software 's Co-Op Easy, a co-op management application, assists retailers and distributors in coordinating, monitoring, and claiming all co-op marketing money available from manufacturers. Co-op funding, volume rebates, and spiffs can become very disorganized and muddled, although these funds are meant to assist value-added resellers and retailers in increasing the size of marketing budgets. Claims generally are processed manually and then entered in a spreadsheet, a method that does not provide optimal automation. Co-Op Easy, says a user (a wireless telecommunications distributor) has allowed the company to increase its cash flow and be aware at any given time of the full quantity of co-op funds available. The funds are visible from one location, so that the firm saves processing resources and speeds claims processing , to enhance customer service. Zapotec's co-founder and president says Co-Op Easy allows users to generate a precise claim for reimbursed dollars, and that various value-added resellers (VARs) are interested in reselling the suite to retail customers. Promotional allowances from manufacturers rose 5.6 percent in 1997 to \$33 billion, says a company that assists VARs in deploying marketing programs using co-op funds.

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00105655 DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

PRODUCT NAMES: Quicken Home & Business Windows & Windows NT (678678)

TITLE: Latest Quicken Gets Down To Business

AUTHOR: Patz, Joel T.

SOURCE: Windows Magazine, v9 n3 p133(2) Mar 1998

ISSN: 1060-1066

HOMEPAGE: http://www.winmag.com

RECORD TYPE: Review REVIEW TYPE: Review

GRADE: B

Intuit's Quicken Home & Business 98 adds very handy features for home or small business owners, but it may lack some features that some businesses need. Home & Business makes it easy to track receivables, add sales tax, and generate tax reports for filling out Schedule C. As expected of an Intuit Quicken product, it lets the user do online banking, electronic bill payment, and other basic accounting functions. The Web features built into the new Quicken Suite 98, as well as Quicken Home & Business, let the user retrieve financial news, do mortgage and insurance rate shopping, and bank via the Internet. In addition, Home & Business offers 401(k) plan tracking, stock and mutual fund management, and online trading if the user has an account with a broker. On the business end of things, Home & Business lets the user generate invoices and track reimbursable expenses, although the process is a bit clunky for doing the latter. What the program does not do is provide sophisticated reports, maintain inventory, or do payroll calculations. For these functions, users will need to turn to products such as QuickBooks or Peachtree Accounting 5.0 QuickBooks is also better for calculating and tracking principal and interest on a loan.

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PRODUCT NAMES: All-Payer Remittance Manager (563293)

TITLE: Pursuing the Paperless Office with EDI

AUTHOR: Smith, Doug

SOURCE: Healthcare Informatics, v12 n4 p100(3) Apr 1995

ISSN: 1050-9135

RECORD TYPE: Review REVIEW TYPE: Review

GRADE: A

All-Payer Remittance Manager, a PC-based billing system for health care organizations, was chosen by a three-hospital network to reduce paper-based remittance documentation. The system expands the functionality of electronic data interchange (EDI) functions previously installed to enable in-house processing. To include receipt of remittance advice data and increase the number of transactions processed electronically (thereby eliminating all processing bottlenecks), the automated solution receives data in electronic format. The result is reduced clerical processing, including that formerly required for secondary billing functions, which significantly slowed accounts receivable processing. Medicare remittance files are received via phone lines from an intermediary. It also calculates contractual adjustments, copayments, and deductibles. Only two days are required to generate secondary bills, compared to seven with the manual process.

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5/7/14 (Item 14 from file: 256)

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00074382 DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

PRODUCT NAMES: EDI (830052); Health Claims (830389)



TITLE: EDI & Healthcare Payment Systems

AUTHOR: Schinderle, David McLure, Marcia L. Moynihan, James J.

SOURCE: EDI World, v5 n1 p32(3) Jan 1995

ISSN: 1055-0399

RECORD TYPE: Review

REVIEW TYPE: Product Analysis GRADE: Product Analysis, No Rating

Electronic data interchange (EDI) is used to pay health claims by a large health system that provides acute care for nearly 80,000 persons. The system uses many out-of-area providers and emergency rooms, which requires processing of thousands of claims for reimbursement by other providers. EDI pays these claims via check with explanations of benefit (EOB) statements. In order to avoid large expenses generating new forms for the health care payment system, the health system chose to use the same technology already in use by the Accounts Payable department. Installed EDI software drew information from a CMS system and translated it to the X12 835 Healthcare Claim Payment/Advice transaction set. These transactions are sent to Mellon Bank through a Value-Added Network, for printing and EOBs; Mellon can also send the 835 and electronic funds transfer (EFT) to EDI-enabled providers.

REVISION DATE: 990823

5/7/15 (Item 15 from file: 256)

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00073138 DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

PRODUCT NAMES: GENESYS Payroll System (263397); GENESYS Human Resource

System (263371)

TITLE: Hospital Heals Its HR Software Problems

AUTHOR: Staff

SOURCE: Managing Office Technology, v39 n12 p28(1) Dec 1994

ISSN: 1070-4051

HOMEPAGE: http://www.motmag.com

RECORD TYPE: Review

REVIEW TYPE: Product Analysis GRADE: Product Analysis, No Rating

GENESYS Human Resources & Payroll Client/Server Software helped a university hospital migrate to in-house payroll processing. Automated reimbursements, employee turnover reports, and extensible features are provided. The software has an important advantage in that users can customize it without assistance from professional computer programmers. It replaces several human resources and payroll products, including separate programs for benefits, compensation, time and attendance, and eliminates payroll processing outsourcing. The integrated system meets user needs with powerful, easy-to-use reporting functions, maintenance by nonprogrammers, and automation features for claims processing. The benefits supervisor credits customizability by staff as being the greatest savings feature by far.

REVISION DATE: 980930

5/7/16 (Item 16 from file: 256)

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00063201 DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

PRODUCT NAMES: Health (Management (830420)

TITLE: Which Port in the Storm?

AUTHOR: Morrison, Tom Dunbrack, Lynne

SOURCE: Healthcare Informatics, v11 n4 ps42(6) Apr 1994

ISSN: 1050-9135

RECORD TYPE: Review

REVIEW TYPE: Product Analysis
GRADE: Product Analysis, No Rating

Two computerization alternatives for managed care organizations are outlined, namely contract management systems and managed care information systems. A hypothetical health maintenance organization (HMO) is posited. Contract management systems help track contracts including dates of contract expiration and profit and loss statements, which helps in negotiations. They begin to track patient data upon admission to care, provide information on patient eligibility, and provide information to physicians who may join the group. Managed care information systems work with claims processing, factoring in individual variations in payment depending on age, sex, copayments, and other items. They also keep patient history given by employers, and track physician referral patterns.

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5/7/17 (Item 17 from file: 256)

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DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

PRODUCT NAMES: Practice Management (PM) 3.1 (457833); Professional Practice Management (457841); CPA/MIS (457868); PACS Time Saver 5.1 (292761)

TITLE: On-Screen Billing Looms on Horizon

AUTHOR: Scott, Robert W.

SOURCE: Accounting Today, v7 n6 p13(2) Mar 1, 1993

ISSN: 1044-5714

HOMEPAGE: http://www.electronicaccountant.com

RECORD TYPE: Review

REVIEW TYPE: Product Analysis GRADE: Product Analysis, No Rating

Onscreen billing products could revolutionize business practices, by allowing data to be directly entered on bills from a personal computer display. Proponents of the software state that its use can improve cash flow and put a company in a good receivables position. Work-in-progress and receivables are processed more quickly and smoothly, providing a boost in collections. Because statistics show that the sooner a bill is received after processing, the more likely the customer will pay promptly, bills should be processed before the end of the month. Onscreen billing makes this possible, and the advantages are many, especially for tax preparation services. One CPA firm notes that poor throughput caused by late night data entry can be eliminated with onscreen billing, if properly used.

REVISION DATE: 960228

5/7/18 (Item 18 from file: 256)

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00049419 DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

PRODUCT NAMES: Andrew 'Las' Managing Your Money 9.0 (7580); MoneyCounts Personal Edition 7.0 (901096); Microsoft Money 2.0 (336734); Andrew Tobias' TaxCut (211508); Wealthbuilder 3.0 (228524)

TITLE: Compute's Getting Started with Personal Money Management

AUTHOR: Giovetti, Alfred C.

SOURCE: Compute!, v15 n4 ps1(16) Apr 1993

ISSN: 0194-357X

RECORD TYPE: Review REVIEW TYPE: Review

GRADE: A

Products that help manage money using a desktop computer are reviewed. These products take the sting out of money management, helping the user track daily expenses and providing a clear view of where money is spent. Tax programs help the user learn more about tax laws and deductible expenses, and some programs allow the user to plan taxes over a four year span. Investment programs help the user save for retirement, a first home, or a child's education. Goals and risks are evaluated, and some programs suggest the best type of investment. Many packages are reviewed, supporting some of packages are reviewed, supporting some or all of the following features: checkbook function; bank reconciliation; check writing; electronic bill -paying; reporting and budgeting; tax summaries; some advanced property management functions. Some programs included are:
MetaStock Pro by Equis International and MarketExpert, StockExpert, and TradingExpert by AIQ.

REVISION DATE: 990720

5/7/19 (Item 19 from file: 256)

DIALOG(R)File 256:SoftBase:Reviews,Companies&Prods.

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00032308 DOCUMENT TYPE: Review

PRODUCT NAMES: Health Claims (830389)

TITLE: A Wise choice for your practice?

AUTHOR: Strahan, Herman

SOURCE: Computers in Healthcare, v13 n2 p51(3) Feb 1992

ISSN: 0745-1075

RECORD TYPE: Review

REVIEW TYPE: Product Analysis GRADE: Product Analysis, No Rating

Electronic media claim filing (EMC), in particular for Medicare claims, is no longer a matter of `if,' but a question of when. A long list of advantages to EMC are enumerated here: freedom from paper, as well as savings on postage and forms, resubmission cost, and clerical staff salaries. Medicare agencies offer special incentives for electronic claims filers, such as daily issuance of reimbursement checks, and verification reporting of claims acceptance. (Penalties for paper filing may be anticipated eventually.) The initial costs of electronic filing are not extraordinary, and may be negligible for practices already owning a computer and modem. Cost savings are realized quickly. These details, specific to the State of Illinois, are applicable to virtually any locale.

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File 351: DERWENT WPI 19! 1999/UD=9939;UP=9939;UM=9939 (c) 1999 Derwent Info Ltd File 347: JAPIO Oct 1976-1999/Apr. (UPDATED 990812) (c) 1999 JPO & JAPIO File 344: Chinese Patents ABS Apr 1985-1999/Aug (c) 1999 European Patent Office Set Items Description S1 483 REIMBURS? OR REFUND? OR (COMPANY OR POLICY) (3N) (COVERAGE OR COVERED OR ALLOWABLE OR PAYMENT? OR PAY??? OR PAID OR ALLOWE-D) OR PER()DIEM S2 1067 INSURANCE OR MEDICARE OR (BUSINESS OR TRAVEL) (3N) (EXPENSE? OR EXPENDITURE?) S3 151 (MEDICAL OR HOSPITAL OR DENTAL OR HEALTH) (3N) (EXPENSE? OR -EXPENDITURE? OR FEE OR FEES OR CLAIM? ? OR (BILL OR BILLS) (NOT 10N) (SENATE OR HOUSE OR HR OR LEGISLAT?)) 1182 S4S2 OR S3 S5 COPAY? OR CO() PAY? OR DEDUCTIBLE OR NONREIMBURS? OR (NON OR "NOT")(2W)(BUSINESS OR REIMBURS?)(3N)(EXPENSE? OR EXPENDITUR-E? OR ITEM? ?) OR PERSONAL()(EXPENSE? OR EXPENDITURE?) S6 678 (PATIENT? OR EMPLOYEE OR TRAVELER? OR TRAVELLER?) (3W) (PORT-ION OR PART) OR (DIFFERENCE OR REMAINDER) (3W) (FEE OR FEES OR -EXPENSE? OR EXPENDITURE OR (BILL OR BILLS) (NOT 10N) (HOUSE OR -HR OR SENATE OR LEGISLAT?)) s7 743 S5 OR S6 S8 16042 (TRANSACTION OR SMART OR IC OR CHIP OR (MULTI OR MULTIPLE) -() (PURPOSE OR FUNCTION?)) () CARD? ? OR (NONCONTACTLESS OR NON(-) CONTACT? OR PORTABLE) () DATA() (EXCHANGE OR CARRIER?) CARD(1W) (TERMINAL? OR DEVICE? OR READER?) OR POS OR POINT? S9 ?(1W)(SALE? OR SERVICE?) S10 13780 MC=T04-K? OR IC=(G06K-019/07 OR G06K-019/073 OR G06K-019/0-77) S11 39415 S8 OR S9 OR S10 S12 S1 AND S4 AND S7 AND S11 0 S13 S1 AND (S4 OR S7) AND S11 S14 (BILL OR BILLS OR CLAIM OR CLAIMS OR REMITTANCE OR CHARGES OR FINANCIAL()TRANSACTION?)(7N)(SERVER? OR PROCESS? OR PAYMEN-T? OR AUTOMATE OR ELECTRONIC? OR NETWORK? OR INTERNET? OR EXT-RANET?) S15 166 S14 AND S11 S15 AND (S7 OR S4) S16 S17 6774 S14 OR (BILL OR BILLS OR CLAIM OR CLAIMS OR REMITTANCE OR -CHARGES OR FINANCIAL()TRANSACTION?)(7N)(SETTLE? OR SETTLING OR READJUST? OR RE() ADJUST?)

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DIALOG(R) File 347: JAPIO

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04610658 **Image available** SIGN COLLATING DEVICE FOR CREDIT CARD

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06-282558 [JP 6282558 A]

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FILED:

March 29, 1993 (19930329)

ABSTRACT

PURPOSE: To prevent a trouble on the usage of a credit card.

CONSTITUTION: A host station 1 constituted of an inputting device 3, picture recording device 4, storage device 5, data communication equipment 6, and computer 7, is connected through a data communication line 8 to plural sign collating terminals 2 constituted of a card display terminal 12, data communication equipment 9, and computer 10. The credit card is confirmed not only by confirming a registration number, but also by comparing a sign and an individual feature, so that the trouble can be prevented, and the insurance payment of a credit company can be reduced.

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Universal electronic transaction card for use in health care

management system

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Inventor: PITRODA S G

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

Patent Family:

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US 5884271 A 19990316 US 94262307 A 19940620 G06F-017/60 199918 B
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Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 96708555 A 19960906; US 94262307 A 19940620

Patent Details:

Patent Kind Lan Pg Filing Notes Application Patent US 5884271 A 31 CIP of US 94262307

Abstract (Basic): US 5884271 A

NOVELTY - The input unit inputs personal information of user, medical information, account information for service institutions in which user has account, and transactional information for each service institution for which account information exist, into the memory.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - The housing is dimensioned such that it is accommodated in pocket or purse. The communication unit electronically communicates personal, account and transactional information with service institutions. The liquid crystal display unit (10) displays information for service institution accounts. A pointing device selected from group containing computer mouse pointing device and computer track ball pointing device, is used for input of information. The processor processes personal account and transactional information. A security unit prevents unauthorized use of universal electronic transaction card and prevents unauthorized access to information stored in memory of universal electronic transaction card. An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is included for describing method of issuing account by service institutions to user of card.

USE - For use in health care management system. Also for credit card transactions, licensing bank transactions, retail credit transactions, medical or **insurance** transactions, personal identification, travel or telephone or other miscellaneous transactions.

ADVANTAGE - Substantial amount of paper work is eliminated and transactions with doctors, hospitals and insurance companies are conducted simultaneously in real time to resolve disputes and transaction information are recorded electronically thereby improves productivity and operational efficiency and reduces management cost in all transactions. Facilitates convenient recharging of battery used in the card, thereby eliminates need to replace battery during normal use. CIU which is a passive interface between card and personal computer, does not include any processing capability, memory and software to avoid duplication and hence reduces cost. Since all the medical information of the user is recorded in memory, prescribing of drugs or other treatment which is not tolerated by patient due to allergic reactions or other contraindications is prevented thereby saves patient's life. Facilitates user to select any type of transactions such as credits, banks, shops, medical insurance, personal identification traveling or telephone.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure depicts diagram of universal electronic transactions card.

Display unit (10)

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Derwent Class: T01; T05

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/60

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010493202 **Image available**
WPI Acc No: 95-394522/199551

Data processing network for processing medical transactions - has network processing insurance claim with terminal at health-care provider sending claim to network where card reader reads information about patient and payment from card for completing payment to service provider

Patent Assignee: AT & T GLOBAL INFORMATION SOLUTIONS INT (AMTT); NCR INT INC (NATC)

Inventor: HORST W R; LAUGHLIN D P; YAKER R

Number of Countries: 004 Number of Patents: 003

Patent Family:

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Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 94248267 A 19940519 Cited Patents: No-SR.Pub; DE 3534638; DE 4213797; WO 9115817 Patent Details:

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EP 683465 A2 E 6

Designated States (Regional): DE FR GB

JP 7319971 A

Abstract (Basic): EP 683465 A

The data processing network includes an insurance claim processing network (12) for processing an insurance claim.

Remote terminals (30, 34, 38 and 42) are located at a health care service provider for sending the insurance claim to the insurance claim processing network.

Card readers (32, 36, 40 and 44) read information about a patient from a card (50) for use in the insurance claim. A server (24) communicates with the remote terminal, and a database (22) coupled to the server stores information about patients. Payment information is read from the card for use in completing payment to the health care service provider.

ADVANTAGE - Provides simple data **processing network** for **processing medical** transactions where rapid **claim processing** is achieved.

Dwg.1/2 Derwent Class: T01

International Patent Class (Main): G06F-017/60

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Smart card techniques for motor vehicle record administration

Chipkartentechniken zur Verwaltung von Kraftfahrzeugdaten

Techniques a carte a puce pour l'administration des donnees de vehicule automobile

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APPLICATION (CC, No, Date): EP 95306228 950906;

PRIORITY (CC, No, Date): US 304998 940913

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...SPECIFICATION the parking garage gate to raise (block 1194). The program then loops back to block 1101.

FIG. 12 is a hardware block diagram illustrating a smart identification system in the context of an automobile insurance provider. An insurance company computer 1201 is configured to access database 1203. Database 1203 includes a plurality of automobile insurance policy files. Each automobile insurance policy file is associated with an insurance policy identifier which uniquely specifies a particular automobile insurance policy file. The automobile insurance policy files each include an insurance policy expiration date, the VINs (vehicle identification numbers) of all motor vehicles covered by the policy, the name and address of the policyholder, the drivers license number and social security number of the policyholder, the terms of the policy (amount deductible, coverage for collision, liability, etc), motor vehicle code violations committed by the policyholder, and a policy payment record listing payments actually made by the policyholder, the date such payments were made, and any payments owing and due.

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. 14/3,K/1 (Item 1 from file: 348) DIALOG(R) File 348: European Patents (c) 1999 European Patent Office. All rts. reserv. 00914511 ORDER fax of complete patent from Dialog SourceOne. See HELP ORDER 348 An electronic cashless system Bargeldloses elektronisches System Systeme electronique sans argent liquide PATENT ASSIGNEE: FUJITSU LIMITED, (211463), 1-1, Kamikodanaka 4-chome, Nakahara-ku, Kawasaki-shi, Kanagawa 211, (JP), (applicant designated states: DE; ES; FR; GB) INVENTOR: Hayashida, Shoji, 18-1, Sengen-cho 3-chome, Higashi-kurume-shi, Tokyo, 203, (JP) LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE: Stebbing, Timothy Charles et al (59641), Haseltine Lake & Co., Imperial House, 15-19 Kingsway, London WC2B 6UD, (GB) PATENT (CC, No, Kind, Date): EP 834843 A2 980408 (Basic) EP 834843 A3 981216 APPLICATION (CC, No, Date): EP 97118508 900906; PRIORITY (CC, No, Date): JP 89230893 890906 DESIGNATED STATES: DE; ES; FR; GB RELATED PARENT NUMBER(S) - PN (AN): EP 416916 (EP 903097517) INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: G07F-019/00; G07F-007/08; G07F-007/10; ABSTRACT WORD COUNT: 164 LANGUAGE (Publication, Procedural, Application): English; English; English FULLTEXT AVAILABILITY: Update Word Count

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Electronic settlement method employing electronic money value with identifier and system for use in such a method

Einen elektronischen Geldwert mit Identifizierer verwendendes elektronisches Begleichungsverfahren und ein solches Verfahren verwendendes System

Methode electronique pour le reglement d'un paiement, utilisant une valeur monetaire electronique avec identificateur et systeme pour la mise en

oeuvre de cette

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APPLICATION (CC, No, Date): EP 97302081 970326;

PRIORITY (CC, No, Date): JP 96103516 960329

DESIGNATED STATES: DE; FR; GB

INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: G07F-007/08;

ABSTRACT WORD COUNT: 187

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...SPECIFICATION embodiment of the present invention, the organ for assigning the identifiers through the cash dispenser 100 and for ensuring the electronic money value which the IC card holds is the bank, the present invention is not limited thereto. For example, a fixed commission is allowed to an insurance company so that the electronic money value in the IC card is divided into the groups and also the unique identifiers are respectively assigned to the groups. In this case, the amount to which the unique identifiers are assigned by the insurance company can be, even if the IC card is damaged, insured by the insurance company, and also the unjust report can be discovered in the insurance company side as well.

Now, the more detailed description will hereinbelow be given with respect to the dealing of the identifiers 212 when the electronic...

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An electronic cashless system

Bargeldloses elektronisches System

Systeme electronique sans argent liquide

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EP 96203461 900906; APPLICATION (CC, No, Date): PRIORITY (CC, No, Date): JP 89230893 890906 DESIGNATED STATES: DE; ES; FR; GB RELATED PARENT NUMBER(S) - PN (AN): EP 416916 (EP 903097517) INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: G07F-007/10; G06F-017/60; G07F-007/08; ABSTRACT WORD COUNT: 81 LANGUAGE (Publication, Procedural, Application): English; English; English FULLTEXT AVAILABILITY: Available Text Language Update Word Count CLAIMS A (English) EPAB97 500 SPEC A (English) EPAB97 11369 Total word count - document A 11869 Total word count - document B Total word count - documents A + B 11869 ORDER fax of complete patent from Dialog SourceOne. See HELP ORDER 348 ... SPECIFICATION maximum amount of compensation. Then, the bank analyzes the trend (the rate of stored amount depletion) of the commercial transactions made with the multi-function IC 21 to estimate the current stored balance from the last ATM transaction date. The sum of the estimated current balances will tend to approximate the... ...stored balance is computed by adding these two amounts. This sum is then stored in the amount information memory part 212 of the multi-function card 21 that is issued to the owner as a replacement. This difference could ordinarily be an overpayment, the loss of which could be covered by an insurance policy . Since the deposit data is separated by the bank number into the home bank part and the foreign bank part, the revising of the seller ... 14/3,K/4 (Item 4 from file: 348) DIALOG(R) File 348: European Patents (c) 1999 European Patent Office. All rts. reserv. 00433767 ORDER fax of complete patent from Dialog SourceOne. See HELP ORDER 348 An electronic cashless system Bargeldloses elektronisches System Systeme electronique sans argent liquide PATENT ASSIGNEE: FUJITSU LIMITED, (211460), 1015, Kamikodanaka, Nakahara-ku, Kawasaki-shi, Kanagawa 211, (JP), (applicant designated states: DE; ES; FR; GB) INVENTOR: Hayashida, Shoji, 18 8, Sengen-cho 3-chome, Higashi-kurume-shi, Tokyo 203 , (JP) LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE: Fane, Christopher Robin King et al (30511), Haseltine Lake & Co., Imperial House, 15-19 Kingsway, London WC2B 6UD, (GB) PATENT (CC, No, Kind, Date): EP 416916 A2 910313 (Basic) EP 416916 А3 910515 EP 416916 990714 APPLICATION (CC, No, Date): EP 90309751 900906; PRIORITY (CC, No, Date): JP 23089389 890906 DESIGNATED STATES: DE; ES; FR; GB INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: G07F-007/10; ABSTRACT WORD COUNT: 106 LANGUAGE (Publication, Procedural, Application): English; English; English FULLTEXT AVAILABILITY: Available Text Language Word Count Update CLAIMS B (English) 9928 726

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Medizinisches Netzwerk mit Fernzugriff.

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APPLICATION (CC, No, Date): EP 95303254 950516;

PRIORITY (CC, No, Date): US 248267 940519

DESIGNATED STATES: DE; FR; GB

INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: G06F-017/60;

ABSTRACT EP 683465 A2

A remote access medical network (10) which minimizes paperwork in connection with health care services includes an insurance network (12) for processing an insurance claim. A remote terminal (30, 34, 38, 42) located at a health care service provider sends the insurance claim to the insurance network. A card reader (32, 36, 40, 44) coupled to the remote terminal (30, 34, 38, 40) reads information about a patient from a patient health care card (50) for completing the insurance claim, and reads payment information from the health care card (50) for completing payment to the health care service provider. The patient health care card (50) is preferably a smart card (50). The smart card (50) may be used to provide payment to the service provider. Insurance payments are obtained by transmitting the insurance claim to the insurance network (12). A financial network (13) credits a bank account of the service provider via an electronic funds transfer. (see image in original document)

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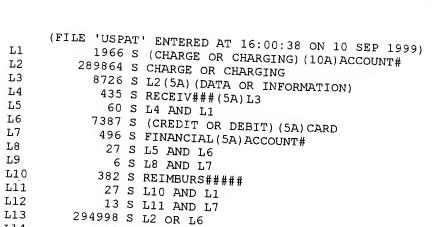


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...SPECIFICATION Health care reader/writers 32, 36, 40, and 44 also update the health information stored on card 50. Personal health card 50 is preferably a **SMART** card. Thus, the patient may complete payment and update the information on card 50 at the same time, without any paper forms to fill out and...

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Usis Mines For Gold In Electronic Health Records
(Usis America's Michel Salomon talks about his strategy for building an electronic health record database that makes use of smart card technology)

Card Technology, p N/A

June 01, 1999

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal ISSN: 1093-1279 (United States)

LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

WORD COUNT: 964

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TEXT:

...patients to make their co-payments using smart cards. Moreover, the doctors someday will be able to electronically file claims forms, allowing them to receive **reimbursement** from the patients' **insurance** companies in a week compared to three months, Touma says.

It all seems rather ambitious for a company that only recently incorporated. Founder Salomon brought...

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Insurance Card Firm to Use Gemplus, DEC, MCI (DEC, Gemplus, and MCI will provide technology for a smart card-based healthcare payment system from RealMed)

American Banker, v CLXII, n 241, p 16

December 17, 1997

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal ISSN: 0002-7561 (United States)

LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Abstract

ABSTRACT:

Digital Equipment Corp (DEC), Gemplus Group, and MCI Communications Corp will provide technology for a **smart card** -based healthcare payment system. RealMed Corp (Indianapolis) has developed the system. The system will hasten the **insurance reimbursement** process. Claims and **co** - **payments** would be handled in "real time." RealMed does not plan to use the cards to store medical records, however. The company has not signed contracts...

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01670119 03-21109

A vehicle of choice Matthews, Merrill Jr

LIMRA's MarketFacts v17n2 PP: 18-20 Mar/Apr 1998

ISSN: 0889-0986 JRNL CODE: MKF

WORD COUNT: 2017

...TEXT: are very efficient at handling lots of small claims in a cost-effective manner. In addition, newly introduced technologies could complement MSAs. For example, a "smart card" that has been developed to expedite the claims process so that health care providers can be reimbursed in 48 hours rather than a month or more could be used to withdraw money from an MSA. This approach would bypass the normal claims...

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01571606 02-22595

Group builds first real-time health network

Tauhert, Christy

Insurance & Technology v23n1 PP: 14 Jan 1998

ISSN: 0892-8533 JRNL CODE: IIN

WORD COUNT: 427

...TEXT: a highperformance Oracle (Redwood Shores, CA) database that is being operated by Digital. The payment center has a private link to an insurer. At the **insurance** company, RealMed software resides on a Digital AlphaServer that is a partial replication of an insurer's existing database. The server communicates in real time...

... physician via the payment center. When a deductible is agreed upon, physicians can remotely request payment using an electronic signature from patients (stored on the **smart card**). Subsequently, a funds transfer from debit, credit card or cash will be authorized via the payment center, a process that RealMed plans to facilitate with...

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01543058 01-94046

Case for Intranet outsourcing

Wreden, Nick

Informationweek n657 PP: 26S-32S Nov 17, 1997

ISSN: 8750-6874 JRNL CODE: IWK

WORD COUNT: 1774

...TEXT: operations."

Mede America offers its QuickLink services for a monthly fee of less than \$200. During a typical transaction, a pharmacist swipes a customer's insurance prescription card through a s card reader, or a druggist enters the information into a PC. Either way, the card reader, continuously connected to the CompuServe network via local access points of presence, transmits the information through CompuServe's networks to multiple routers located at Mede...

... network via local-loop T1 (1.544Mbps) lines running X.25. Mainframes at Mede America format the transaction according to the requirements of the appropriate insurance company or other payer, then route the

. transaction to that company.

After approval, disapproval, or another disposition determined by the payer, the process is reversed, and patients find out...

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01437378 00-88365

HP acquisition solidifies smart card strategy
Tauhert, Christy

Insurance & Technology v22n6 PP: 9 Jun 1997

ISSN: 0892-8533 JRNL CODE: IIN

WORD COUNT: 324

...TEXT: of large financial institutions made it an attractive acquisition candidate.

HP's long-term plan is to leverage VeriFone's credit card equipment to develop smart card technologies that Chisholm says have strong applications to the insurance industry. "It's not too difficult to move from credit cards to smart cards," he says, adding that he envisions smart card technology "for both the payment of insurance premiums and potentially as a vehicle for insureds to receive claim payments at an insurance company in the form of credits on a smart card."

Another application for smart cards, says Chisholm, is to use the technology as the link between banking, insurance and brokerage services. "Organizations are looking to...

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01355405 00-06392

Dean Witter makes leap into electronic finance

Rule, Bruce; Weisul, Kimberly

Investment Dealers Digest v63nl PP: 7 Jan 6, 1997

ISSN: 0021-0080 JRNL CODE: IDD

WORD COUNT: 536

 \dots TEXT: Dean Witter could follow the lead of other full service brokerages and offer wrap accounts.

The Dean Witter financial services conglomerate now includes Lombard, Allstate Insurance, the Discover card, and even a share in Mondex USA, a smart card and electronic payments company. Gary Meshell, a consultant in the electronic financial services group at Price Waterhouse, pointed out that unlike Visa or MasterCard, the Discover brand is not...

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01355305 00-06292

Smart cards: Key to cashless economy?

Manchester, Doug

Futurist v31n1 PP: 29-32 Jan/Feb 1997

ISSN: 0016-3317 JRNL CODE: FUS

WORD COUNT: 2465

... TEXT: and minting coins.

Federal, state, and local governments could move to more paperless transactions, including the elimination of welfare checks. Welfare

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. recipients could load their smart card at ATMs, or sime rly installed devices at the Health and Human Services Office. Once the card is loaded, the "welfare account" could be tagged so that money can only be spent at certain locations, limiting opportunities to misspend the benefits.

Medicare , AFDC (Aid to Families with Dependent Children), and tax refunds could all be managed electronically with smart cards.

Another potential benefit for local authorities is, with appropriate judicial process, working with banks to provide information for tracking deadbeat parents for back payment of...

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00922122 95-71514

Management without frontiers: Health system convergence leads to health care management convergence

Kirkman-Liff, Bradford L

Frontiers of Health Services Management v11n1 PP: 3-48 Fall 1994

ISSN: 0748-8157 JRNL CODE: FHS

WORD COUNT: 16914

...TEXT: and institution wide practice profiles (Kirkman-Liff and Schneller 1992). Health care information systems within a community can also be improved through the use of **smart card** technology that is being implemented in France, Canada, and Germany. In these systems, each person has a medical and health **insurance** data base encoded on a chip in a credit card-sized photographic identification card. This card can be used to verify eligibility and, in France and Germany, **copayments**. Electronic data interchange efforts in the Netherlands include paperless processing of all prescription drug **insurance** claims: two competing electronic "clearing houses" connect all pharmacies with all insurers. In addition to processing the claims, the clearing houses arrange for direct electronic...

... offices and hospitals, so that all claims will be made paperless and payments will be made directly to the provider's bank account. Trials with **smart cards** are also underway in the Netherlands and England. These efforts are similar to the proposed community health information networks in the United States.

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SURVEY - FT INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY 98 part 4: SMARTCARDS Still a long way to go

(Use of smartcards in European health care services sectors has met with varying degrees of acceptance)

Financial Times Surveys Edition, p 10

April 01, 1998

DOCUMENT TYPE: Business Newspaper; Industry Overview ISSN: 0307-1766 (

United Kingdom)

LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Abstract

ABSTRACT:

Some industry analysts believe that 1998 will be the year of smart card technology's 'small bang'. The question is, will health be on the cards? The logic for using smartcards in medicine is as simple as it is profound. Healthcare provision carries high administrative costs which can be dramatically reduced with a successful electronic scheme...

... Assurance maladie, Vitale will roll out 25m cards in 1998. And by

end-1999, cards will be required for participation in the Cantry's health insurance system. But, in the UK, smart cards are slower to be developed in the health system. "We have no current plans, though it remains part of our strategic agenda," said Ross Langford, speaking for the IT group of the NHS Executive. Smartcards are being trialled in a number of innovative health authorities, performing valuable but limited tasks, such as carrying maternity data for anti-natal care or...

...France and Germany is remarkably different, though whether because health provision in these countries is structurally better able to take advantage of an investment in **smart** cards, or because it is traditionally high spending and inefficient, depends upon whom is asked. In Germany, the government estimated that the costs would total between...

...scheme was launched in 1993 and it anticipated a payback over a 5-yr period, a result due to be confirmed soon. Savings come from insurance accounts, used to reimburse medical practitioners, being settled electronically and overnight. The cost of verifying prescriptions is estimated at around DM770m/yr, say analysts at Datamonitor. The French roll-out provides the beginnings of an answer to fears about security. In the first wave, the cards will carry only insurance information, with data useful in emergencies, such as allergies or chronic complaints, being added later. Access to the cards is by a two-card reader, requiring the practitioner to insert a card capable of RSA encryption at the same time. Datamonitor reports that savings of around \$5 bil/yr are...

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Smart Cards Flutter Over Eastern Europe

(Inkom Bank will run a trial of Visa's COPAC electronic pass as a staff salary payment card; plans to introduce the card to customers in 1998) Card Technology, p 29+

September 1997

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Cover Story ISSN: 0361-5561 (United States)

LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

WORD COUNT: 3946

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TEXT:

 \ldots for smart cards. Gemplus already has implemented GOST on smart cards on a demonstration basis.

Another matter that still is unclear

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EASTERN EUROPE SMART CARD PROJECTS

The following chart reads as follows:

Row 1: Country

Row 2: Project

Row 3: Type

Row 4: Cards Issued

Row 5: Comment

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several hundred system currently on hold due to reorganization of the hospital

TOTAL Oil loyalty card

70,000 customer behavior analysis functionality and possibly payment functions to be added by end of this year Volan bus bus ticketing 500 Kazakhstan Trade House Anar company card 7,000 Latvia Latkarte electronic... ...card n/a SIB Contact payment card 10,000 Sberbank UEPS payment card n/a national rollout planned Syrbank payment card 2,000 Tula health insurance 90,000 memory cards TverUniversal Bank payment card 70,000 Unibest payment card 2,500 Union Grand/Gasprombank payment card 30,000 Weltimpex Sokol payment... 16/3,K/10 (Item 3 from file: 9) DIALOG(R)File 9:Business & Industry(R) Jul (c) 1999 Resp. DB Svcs. All rts. reserv. 02029855 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT) INDIANA FIRM'S SMART CARD HELPS INSURERS PROCESS, RESOLVE CLAIMS (RealMed Corp develops smart card that enables insurers to process and resolve health insurance claims within minutes)

Indianapolis Star and News, p N/A

December 10, 1997

DOCUMENT TYPE: Regional Newspaper (United States)

LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

WORD COUNT: 527

ABSTRACT:

RealMed Corp. (Carmel, IN) has developed a smart card which permits claims in minutes. The computer insurers to process and resolve health chip-embedded credit card-type plastic card contains patients' personal data but not their personal medical history, insurance plan carried and services the plan pays for. The data cannot be accessed without a personal identification number. The card can be linked to a bank account, credit card or medical savings account so patients can pay their portion of the bill instantly. The service would cost doctors \$250 monthly to lease the software program and related hardware. Doctors would offset costs with

...savings of up to \$2.5 billion for processing claims by US patients under age 65. RealMed is currently negotiating to provide its product to insurance firms and banks. The firm, which started in 1995, employs about 60 people. Article provides other background information on the firm.

16/3,K/11 (Item 4 from file: 9)

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01722194 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)

Report criticises French use of IT in health sector (French national health insurance fund developed a system for managing the reimbursement of patients' primary treatment costs)

International Healthcare News, n 20, p 6

January 1997

DOCUMENT TYPE: Newsletter (United Kingdom) LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

WORD COUNT: 588

(USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)

TEXT:

... Sesam-Vitale will provide an electronic alternative to the paper forms that doctors currently issue to patients, who then send them to their local health insurance offices to obtain the reimbursement . system will enable the relevant information to be transmitted electronically from the doctor's surgery to health insurance offices via the Sesam data transmission system. It will also allow doctors to obtain patient data from the Vitale memory card that is to be issued to all French adults and will use their own professional smart card to gain access to the system, "reading" both cards with a single terminal (IHN 15, August 1996, page 9).

According to Rozmaryn, however, the hardware...

16/3,K/12 (Item 5 from file: 9)

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01712103 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)

Dean Witter makes leap into electronic finance

(Dean Witter purchases Lombard Brokerage at end of 1996; merger will create new subsidiary, Dean Witter, Discover Electronic Financial Services)

Investment Dealers' Digest, p 7

January 06, 1997

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal ISSN: 0021-0080 (United States)

LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

WORD COUNT: 535

(USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)

TEXT:

...Dean Witter could follow the lead of other full service brokerages and offer wrap accounts.

The Dean Witter financial services conglomerate now includes Lombard, Allstate Insurance, the Discover card, and even a share in Mondex USA, a smart card and electronic payments company. Gary Meshell, a consultant in the electronic financial services group at Price Waterhouse, pointed out that unlike Visa or MasterCard, the Discover brand is not...

16/3,K/13 (Item 6 from file: 9)
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01525937 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)

Doctors push government for computerisation subsidy (French doctors remain culturally reticent about using computers in their surgeries and sceptical about the practical benefits that automating their practices could bring)

International Healthcare News, n 11, p 8

April 1996

DOCUMENT TYPE: Newsletter (United Kingdom) LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

WORD COUNT: 615

(USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)

ABSTRACT:

... national health system and reining in its costs.

The arena in which doctors are able to "negotiate" their co-operation is the pilot testing of **smart cards** and other technology that the government is developing both to enhance administrative efficiency and to improve its controls over practices. The most advanced computerisation project underway is the Sesame Vitale health **insurance** card, which is designed to eliminate paper forms for claiming the **reimbursement** of doctors' fees and drug purchases and is due to be distributed to the whole population starting next year.

In the latest trial, taking place...

TEXT:

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01482146 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)

Spending limits imposed on doctors' practices
(France reforming health insurance system; to computerize healthcare systems, issue ID cards to all French citizens)

International Healthcare News, n 12, p 10

May 1996

DOCUMENT TYPE: Newsletter (United Kingdom) LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

WORD COUNT: 435

(USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULLTEXT)

ABSTRACT:

...starting next September, which they must present to their doctors for recording their medical details (unless patients object). Those cards will subsequently be replaced by **smart** cards. Doctors will be issued their own corresponding **smart** cards by the end of 1998. ...

TEXT:

...of practitioners by medical inspectors employed by local insurance offices and the speedier imposition of sanctions.

Computers will be key instruments of control. The health insurance system is to be completely computerised and doctors will have to install computers in their surgeries so they can transfer data electronically to local insurance offices instead of issuing paper reimbursement forms to patients as they do at present. At the same time, all French citizens are to be issued health cards, starting next September, which they must present to their doctors for recording their medical details (unless patients object). Those cards will subsequently be replaced by smart cards. Doctors will be issued their own corresponding smart cards by the end of 1998.

A deadline of 31 December, 1998, has been set for all doctors and local health insurance offices to be computerised...

16/3,K/15 (Item 8 from file: 9)
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01284121

Smart Cards Poised for Changes in Health Care (Smart card technology could have a major impact on the health care industry)

American Banker, v CLX, n 175, p 11A

September 12, 1995

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal ISSN: 0002-7561 (United States)

LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Abstract

ABSTRACT:

card technology could have a significant impact on the health care industry. According to a Strategic Resources Group (Winchester, MA) survey, 90% favored the use of **smart** cards . **Smart** cards have up to 80 times the capacity of magnetic-stripe cards. This could help reduce the amount of paperwork, shorten reimbursement times, streamline medical administration procedures, and provide more accuracy of information at points of treatment. Insurance companies say that the cost of processing a paper claim is around \$2.50-\$11, while electronic processing costs as little as 60 cents. The Smart Card Forum (Tampa) estimates that around 10% of all claims are fraudulent, with Medicaid fraud rates being more common. MedE America (Mitchel Field, NY) CEO Thomas P Staudt said that Medicaid is a tremendous strain on the system. Smart cards could include emergency medical information, including a patient's allergies, blood type, current drugs being taken, location of medical records, and the names and locations of the patient's health care providers. Critics believe that the technology is an invasion of privacy. A Smart Forum study determined that 70% of a national sample was concerned about such a card's security, even though 66% were interested in using smart cards to store insurance and medical information. The article goes into significantly more detail. . . .



16/3,K/16 (Item 1 from file: 88)
DIALOG(R)File 88:Gale Group Business A.R.T.S.

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04939409 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 20415186 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT) France gets smart with health a la carte. (medical information smart cards) (Policy and People)

Mitchell, Peter

The Lancet, v351, n9104, p736(1)

March 7, 1998

ISSN: 0099-5355 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

WORD COUNT: 1028 LINE COUNT: 00085

purpose is to save costs and time by eliminating form-filling. Patients will present their card every time they need treatment under the national health-insurance system. Each doctor and pharmacist will also have his or her own unique "professional" smartcard. At a treatment episode, the doctor or pharmacist and patient both put their cards into a computerised card reader. The computer generates an electronic claim form and automatically sends it across the national network--the Reseau Sante Sociale--to the patient's insurer (caisse), ready for reimbursement

According to the director of the Ministry's computer projects, Andre Loth, Vitale will save thousands of clerical jobs at the caisses. It will also...

16/3,K/17 (Item 2 from file: 88)
DIALOG(R)File 88:Gale Group Business A.R.T.S.

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04803837 SUPPLIER NUMBER: 20519472 (USE FORMAT 7 OR 9 FOR FULL TEXT) The costs of cigarettes: the economic case for ex post incentive-based regulation.

Hanson, Jon D.; Logue, Kyle D.

Yale Law Journal, 107, n5, 1163-1361

March, 1998

ISSN: 0044-0094 LANGUAGE: English RECORD TYPE: Fulltext; Abstract WORD COUNT: 122871 LINE COUNT: 09890

... smoke. It would also, for example, cause heavy smokers to pay higher premiums than casual smokers.(420) And because the consumption of cigarettes is a "pay as you go" activity, high-risk consumers (in terms of activity levels) would contribute more to the tort-provided insurance pools than would low-risk smokers, even within a given brand of cigarette.

E. Summary

The large negative externalities produced by cigarettes, together with the...

16/3,K/18 (Item 1 from file: 635)

DIALOG(R)File 635:Business Dateline(R)

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0880942 98-41539

`Smart Card' To Make Doctor Visits Easier

Kazakoff, Lois

San Francisco Chronicle (San Francisco, CA, US) pB.3

PUBL DATE: 971210

DATELINE: Redwood City, CA, US, Pacific WORD COUNT: 324

TEXT:

...as an incentive to use the system. Doctors or pharmacists or clinics would pay \$250 a month to lease the RealMed computer and scanner.

Existing medical claims processing systems only submit claims; they

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. don't handle payments .

Gemplus, the French company that will make the cards, is the largest maker of smart cards in the world. It helped design a similar system for the German health insurance system that reduced costs by 35 percent, according to RealMed.

Gemplus is opening a Redwood City office as part of the start of RealMed's...

16/3,K/19 (Item 2 from file: 635)
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0787857 97-46508

Software company preps for explosive growth

Postman, Lore

Indianapolis Business Journal (Indianapolis, IN, US), v17 n51 p12A

PUBL DATE: 970303

DATELINE: Carmel, IN, US, North Central WORD COUNT: 984

TEXT:

... smartcard" that, when swiped through a special credit-card-type reader, automatically debits the patient's medical savings account, credits the physician, and tallies the **deductible** for the **insurance** company.

Eclipse says it is the only company with the smartcard technology.

The whole process takes minutes and cuts the processing cost for a typical...

16/3,K/20 (Item 3 from file: 635)
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0746206 97-04733

Doctoring a credit-card idea to health insurance

Wright, J Nils

Business Journal-Sacramento (Sacramento, CA, US), v13 n28 pSS19

PUBL DATE: 960930

DATELINE: Sacramento, CA, US, Pacific WORD COUNT: 685

TEXT:

...to insurers and doctors' groups.

When a patient comes into the hospital or a doctors' office, a staff member slides his or her magnetic-striped insurance card through a card reader. The machine then dials either Spot Check or the insurance company to find out what type of coverage the patient has and checks how much the co payment should be.

Users know almost immediately how much to charge somebody up front for care, and they can submit their bills to insurers electronically.

"Spot...

16/3,K/21 (Item 1 from file: 647) DIALOG(R)File 647:CMP Computer Fulltext (c) 1999 CMP. All rts. reserv.

01145447 CMP ACCESSION NUMBER: IWK19971117S0015

Outsourcing - Case For Intranet Outsourcing - Better services, desire to cut costs fuel trend

Nick Wreden

INFORMATIONWEEK, 1997, n 657, PGS26

PUBLICATION DATE: 971117

JOURNAL CODE: IWK LANGUAGE: English

RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

SECTION HEADING: The Intranet/Internet 100

WORD COUNT: 1763

... operations."

Mede America offers its QuickLink services for a monthly fee of less than \$200. During a typical transaction, a pharmacist swipes a customer's insurance pre-scription card through a card reader, or a druggist enters the information into a PC. Either way, the card reader, continuously connected to the CompuServe network via local access points of presence, transmits the information through CompuServe's networks to multiple routers located at Mede...

...via local-loop Tl (1.544-Mbps) lines running X.25. Mainframes at Mede America format the transaction according to the requirements of the appropriate **insurance company** or other **payer**, then route the transaction to that company.

After approval, disapproval, or another disposition determined by the payer, the process is reversed, and patients find out...

16/3,K/22 (Item 2 from file: 647)
DIALOG(R)File 647:CMP Computer Fulltext
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00527906 CMP ACCESSION NUMBER: BTN19930712S1796 Airline Tickets Not Ready To Bow Out Just Yet BUSINESS AND TRAVEL NEWS, 1993, n 264, 12

PUBLICATION DATE: 930712

JOURNAL CODE: BTN LANGUAGE: English

RECORD TYPE: Fulltext

SECTION HEADING: The Future of Business Travel Technology

WORD COUNT: 1627

... that corporations receive credit for their business under preferred vendor agreements. "You could get a lot of control over your costs," he suggested.

Alternatively, a smart card could be used in a less controlled manner that still would help corporations manage travel expenses. It might hold data about the booked rate for a reservation, and also record the rate actually paid; back at company headquarters, data from the card could be read into a management reporting system to track activity under a negotiated vendor agreement. "You can start tying...

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04897751 (USE FORMAT 7 FOR FULLTEXT)

Lost-luggage compensation elusive

BERNARD PERUSSE

Montreal Gazette, FINAL ED, P C4

June 05, 1996

DOCUMENT TYPE: NEWSPAPER LANGUAGE: ENGLISH RECORD TYPE: FULLTEXT SECTION HEADING: Living

Word Count: 769

...pretty easy to rule out any liability on the Royal Bank's part: the Visa account was closed on May 26, 1995, automatically terminating the insurance coverage.

The Scotiabank **policy** covers stolen or misdirected luggage up to the amount reimbursed by the airline, but not exceeding \$1,250. Like the contract covering the Royal Bank...

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00092764 Pick a Card?

Robert, Sarah

Benefits Canada, v16 no8 pp 57-58 Sep 1992

ISSN/ISBN: 0703-7732 DOC TYPE: journal article

JOURNAL CODE: BNCAN

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: Prescription drug cards can make the claims reimbursement process easier, but they may increase employer costs. Workers present the cards when buying prescription drugs, and are charged a small deductible per prescription. Pharmacists then bill the insurance carrier or the third party administrator directly, and claims costs are passed to employers via medical plan billing. While convenient for employees, the cards may actually increase costs to employers, since they offer less coordination of benefits potential, dependents are harder to verify, and all claims are paid and processed. Smart cards combine employee convenience with improved cost control methods. These cards have plan information encoded on a magnetic strip to allow on-line verification or electronic data interchange.

DESCRIPTORS: Canada; International; Claims processing; Technology; Automation; Prescription drug plans; Prescription drugs; Cost management; Pros & cons; Electronic data interchange

DIALOG(R) File 2: INSPEC

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5848764 INSPEC Abstract Number: C9804-7140-123

Title: Marketing an HMO by "smart" ID cards with patient history on an electronic medical record

Author(s): Chatfield, J.N.

Conference Title: Proceedings. Toward an Electronic Patient Record '96. Twelfth International Symposium on the Creation of Electronic Health Record System and Global Conference on Patient Cards Part vol.1 p.608-20 vol.1

Publisher: Medical Records Inst, Newton, MA, USA

Publication Date: 1996 Country of Publication: USA 2 vol. (646+688)

ISBN: 0 9640667 7 7 Material Identity Number: XX96-01611

Conference Title: Proceedings of 12th International Symposium on the Creation of Electronic Health Record Systems and Global Congress on Patient Cards

Conference Date: 13-18 May 1996 Conference Location: San Diego, CA, USA

Language: English Document Type: Conference Paper (PA)

Treatment: Applications (A)

Abstract: Consumers, employers and government are pressuring health companies to deliver quality health care at restrained prices. insurance Medicaid, Medicare and CHAMPUS are initiating electronic techniques that will offer marketing opportunities to reach commercial clients. Health care providers must frequently access patient identification, insurance eligibility and medical history. A smart card can store this information. TRICARE is to be offered in the Colorado Springs region to all CHAMPUS beneficiaries. Three major local health maintenance organizations (HMOs) will be eligible to enrol at least 54,000 members. The one that can best market higher quality to these clients at the lowest cost will have an advantage in enrolment. An electronic medical record (EMR) is rapidly becoming the standard of hospitals and clinics. Storing EMR data on such ID cards will be advantageous. Computer interrogation of the EMR can be done quickly. Liability insurance costs will be decreased. Security and confidentiality will place demands on the technology. The insurance company that adopts state-of-the-art cards will be most competitive for Medicaid, Medicare and commercial patients. A common standard for all insurance cards has been specified by ANSI: the magnetic stripe. Quality, patient satisfaction, administrative cost-benefit analysis and usage all suggest the need for smart or optical cards. They link to electronic data interchange (EDI) for eligibility and reimbursement, at greater cost savings. (0 Refs)

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04160279

Title: Direct payment of health care services-participant's benefits

Author(s): Nadeau, G.

Conference Title: Third Global Conference on Patient Cards p.412-15

Publisher: Med. Records Inst, Newton, MA, USA

Publication Date: 1991 Country of Publication: USA 447 pp. Conference Sponsor: Int. Patient Cards Standards Council; et al

Conference Date: 12-15 March 1991 Conference Location: Barcelona, Spain

Language: English Document Type: Conference Paper (PA)

Treatment: General, Review (G)

Abstract: CAPSS, which stands for Centre d'autorisation et de paiement des services de sante, (Health Services Authorization and Payment Center) was set up on January 25, 1990. A successful blend of technological and business interests, CAPSS is a specialized firm processing authorizations and on-the-spot payment of services given by health professionals to



patients participating in insurance plans. It bring together six Quebec-based insurance companies both in the capacities of shareholders and users. CAPSS offers the whole on-line process of capture, validation, authorization and payment of claims from pharmacists or health professionals regarding the services given to patients with an insurer, a third party acting as paying agent or their representatives. For both the patient and the pharmacist, the immediate refund is a definite benefit. As for insurers, their operating costs will be improved thanks to the processing system. The author discusses the role of technology in CAPSS including EDI, EFT and smart cards. (0 Refs)

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New Trends in Health Care Costs.

Mason, Glenn

Benefits & Compensation Solutions, v21 no4 pp 32-34 Apr 1998

ISSN/ISBN: 0194-6196 DOC TYPE: journal article JOURNAL CODE: BCSOL NOTES: 1 table; 8 charts

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: According to a survey by Segal Company, medical coverage will cost more in 1998, and there was a significant disparity in cost increases among the various plans available to employers. Non-network fee-for-service coverage costs will rise 13 percent in 1998. The cost of PPOs will increase by 9.4 percent, while the projected average increase for point -of-service plans is six percent. One of the largest increases is in HMOs. HMO costs decreased by 0.6 percent in 1997, but they are expected to rise almost five percent in 1998. Prescription drug coverage is also expected to continue its double-digit increases in 1998.

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00121038

Is the Gatekeeper a Dying Breed?

Walker, Lauren

Business & Health, v16 no1 pp 30-36 Jan 1998

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AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: Basic concepts of managed health care have been seriously attacked. Some state governments have enacted legislation to ensure access to specific types of specialists, and the managed care industry itself is questioning its gatekeeper concept. While the gatekeeper role may be diminishing among some plans, most managed care organizations have so far kept their gatekeepers in place in order to control the costs of specialty care. Proponents of the gatekeeper idea say that continuity of care will be lost with the move to open access programs. Some open access plans include an option that allows enrollees to consult specialists directly if they are willing to pay a \$30 copayment.

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Fee-for-Service: Will Changing Attitudes and Cost Trends Lead to Renewed

Interest?

Cregan, R. Michael

California Broker, v16 no1 pp 24, 26 Dec 1997

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JOURNAL CODE: CABRK NOTES: 1 table

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: The employee health care benefits market in California is dominated by capitated HMO plans, but cost trends suggest that other health coverage alternatives may be considered in the future. Consumers are concerned about their right to make health care decisions and are looking for other options that may provide greater choice and security along with cost control. Employers and employees are both reviewing the PPO and point -of-service options in response to concerns about treatment under HMOs. When evaluating HMOs, POS plans, and PPOs, employers must consider issues such as network compatibility, provider reimbursement, and access to specialist care.

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Wellness & Benefits Options Now Targeted for Cost Reduction.

IOMA's Report on Reducing Benefits Costs, no97-11 pp 1, 11-12 Nov 1997

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JOURNAL CODE: IOMAR NOTES: 2 tables

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: In 1997, 26 percent of benefits managers surveyed cited wellness programs as one of the most effective cost reduction tools available. This represents an increase from 19.1 percent of managers in 1996. Benefits reductions were also used by the managers to control costs, with 16 percent of the 173 benefits managers polled using this approach in 1997, compared with 8.9 percent in 1996. Tuition reimbursement, profit sharing, emergency room usage, and brand-name drugs were most often the targets of benefits reductions. Point -of-service plans represented a growth area in 1997.

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00118201

Managed Care a Year 2000 Design.

Nauert, Peter W.

National Underwriter: Life & Health/Financial Services Edition, v101 no17

pp 14, 17 Apr 28, 1997 ISSN/ISBN: 0028-033X DOC TYPE: journal article

JOURNAL CODE: NULHI NOTES: 1 table

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: By 2000, 80 percent of the individual and small group health care market will be buying true managed care health plans. There is a trend away from the extremes represented by traditional indemnity fee-for-service plans and HMOs toward the middle ground, which is represented by PPOs, point -of-service plans, and hybrid plans like community-based health plans. Consumers have not been happy with the lack of choice available under HMO arrangements, but they do not want traditional plans that mean higher costs. PPO, POS, and CHP plans offer

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Employee Co- Pays: How Does Your Plan Stack Up?

IOMA's Report on Reducing Benefits Costs, no97-3 pp 1, 6-7 Mar 1997

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DOC TYPE: journal article

JOURNAL CODE: IOMAR NOTES: 3 tables

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: The most popular coinsurance rate among health plans of all sizes is the 80/20 rate, which is used by 75 percent of conventional health plans surveyed, according to KPMG Peat Marwick. Two percent of the survey respondents reported having no copays, while rates of 90/10 and 85/15 each were reported by three percent of those polled. PPOs most often used the 90/10 rate, with 33 percent of PPOs surveyed reporting this rate. Large employers are most likely to offer PPOs with no coinsurance payments. Seventy-six percent of point of service plans use both copayments and coinsurance payments.

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The Role of Exclusive Provider Organizations in Self-Funded Health Plans.

Ueeck, Edward

Employee Benefits Journal, v21 no3 pp 22-25 Sep 1996

ISSN/ISBN: 0361-4050 DOC TYPE: journal article

JOURNAL CODE: EBENJ

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: Plan sponsors may use exclusive provider organizations to add choice to a managed care program or to introduce participants to managed care arrangements. EPOs may not be appropriate for all companies, however. A number of plan design issues must be considered when determining whether an EPO is useful for a particular group of workers. These include the ownership of the EPO, the level of quality assurance offered, its capacity for accountability on how contributions are spent, ability to settle disputes equitably, integration of an effective stop-loss feature, utilization of surveys to measure patient satisfaction, and the creation of a reimbursement strategy for providers based on performance.

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00114977

When the Sky's Not the Limit.

Clark, Jane Bennett

Kiplinger's Personal Finance Magazine, v50 no8 pp 87-89 Aug 1996

ISSN/ISBN: 1056-697X DOC TYPE: journal article

JOURNAL CODE: CHANG

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: Each year, a number of people exhaust their lifetime maximum benefits. Between 1995 and 2000, about 10,000 individuals are expected to use up all their benefits. The House and Senate have both introduced bills

that would guarantee access to health insurance when in viduals change jobs, however, so workers could start over with a new plan even if a previous plan was maxed out. Participants in fee-for-service plans are usually subject to a lifetime cap. HMOs generally do not limit basic services to a dollar amount, but point -of-service plans may set caps on out-of-network care. Some benefits managers have arranged for discounted hospital rates at facilities that specialize in complicated treatments. Plans may reimburse participants if it can be shown that the health problems have been resolved as well.

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00110872

POS Plan Offers Three Tiers of Care.

Employee Benefit News, v9 no11 p 20 Nov 1995

ISSN/ISBN: 1044-6265 DOC TYPE: journal article

JOURNAL CODE: EMBNW

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: Heil Company has taken a three-tiered gatekeeper approach to its point -of-service plan. This approach could make it easier for employees who have been used to fee-for-service plans. The self-insured firm hopes to control the care delivery and to raise employees' comfort levels by allowing them to visit three POS plan gatekeepers instead of one. There will be gatekeepers available in the areas of general practice, gynecology, and pediatrics. The firm conducted employee attitude surveys to discover which areas were most sensitive for workers before deciding on these three gatekeepers. The company's ultimate goal is to reduce its health care costs by 16 percent.

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00110488

The Ultimate Destination on the Managed Care Continuum.

Kuhn, Peter

California Broker, v13 no12 pp 24, 26 Oct 1995

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JOURNAL CODE: CABRK

NOTES: 1 table

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: Managed health care systems are evolving in response to market and regulatory forces. There is a trend toward simple but comprehensive approaches to address the ever-rising costs of group health insurance.

Point -of-service plans represent a key point in the evolution of managed care and are becoming more popular with employers and workers alike. The two most important features of a POS plan are the provider network and the plan of benefits. POS plans pay doctors through capitation arrangements. Self-insured and experience-rated POS plans are available. While the plans are not perfect, they currently represent employers' best choice of managed care program.

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00109685

Employers Looking at Managed Care for Their Retirees. Mercer Report, no51 pp 1-3 Aug 29, 1995 DOC TYPE: journal articl

JOURNAL CODE: MERRP

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: Managed care will become a more familiar concept to senior citizens in the future. Congress views managed care as a way to reduce Medicare spending, while employers want to use the arrangement for retirees both over and under age 65. An important market trend is the growth of Medicare -risk HMOs, which agree to provide all health services covered by Medicare in exchange for a government reimbursement of 95 percent of the adjusted average cost for all Medicare beneficiaries in a geographic area. Since managed care tends to reduce costs, however, the 95 percent may be more than necessary to provide the minimum Medicare benefits level. In 1995, over three million Medicare enrollees, or about nine percent of the total Medicare population, use HMOs.

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00109570

Employer Experience at Managing Health Care Costs.

Fronstin, Paul

ACA News, v38 no8 pp 11-13 Sep 1995

DOC TYPE: journal article

JOURNAL CODE: ACANW

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: Between 1987 and 1993, there was a move of insured individuals away from traditional fee-for-service reimbursement plans to prepaid, prospective managed care settings. Enrollment in traditional fee-for-service plans during this period dropped from 59 percent to five percent between 1987 and 1990. These changes have affected the cost of providing medical services, but measuring the effects has been difficult. However, evidence indicates that managed care arrangements reduce health care costs. Experts predict that in the future there is likely to be more cost-sharing by workers, monitoring of care, movement of workers into managed care arrangements, formation of employer coalitions, and overall lower inflation.

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00109154

Managed Care: Not a Panacea for the Health Care Cost Problem.

Biro, Cristina H.

Health Insurance Underwriter, v43 no4 pp 24-25 Apr 1995

ISSN/ISBN: 0017-9019

DOC TYPE: journal article

JOURNAL CODE: HINSU

NOTES: 3 tables

ABSTRACT: Many employers turn to managed health care to save money, but there is evidence that managed care programs have little effect on health care premiums. Annual premium costs for point -of-service plans used by large employers rose 13.1 percent in 1994, according to Foster Higgins. Comparatively, annual premium increases for indemnity plans rose by only 10.2 percent. For HMOs, premium increases totaled 9.7 percent. PPOs had increases of only 2.6 percent in 1994, but they rose 10.4 percent in 1993. Researchers believe that managed care does not address the basic problem in health care, which is the fact that consumers are removed from the economic consequences of their decisions. Managed care plans make this problem worse by lowering cost-sharing copayments.

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00108768

State Reforms: Major Changes in Health Care System Under Study During Tumultuous Period.

Silverman, Gerald B.

BNA Pension & Benefits Reporter, v22 no28 pp 1,606-1,609 Jul 10, 1995

ISSN/ISBN: 1069-5117 DOC TYPE: journal article

JOURNAL CODE: BNAPR

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: Legislators in New York are considering major changes to the state's health care system. The lawmakers are being pressured to take action by rapid changes in the health insurance market, an important legal deadline, and a significant ruling from the United States Supreme Court. The reformed health care system in New York is expected to be more market-driven and to make more use of managed care, integrated networks, and capitation. It is also expected to continue a current shifting away from inpatient treatment to ambulatory care.

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AT&T Pact Expands Benefits.

Woolsey, Christine

Business Insurance, v29 no25 pp 2, 36 Jun 19, 1995

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JOURNAL CODE: BSINS

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: AT&T and 101,000 union members reached a tentative agreement that would expand managed health care coverage, enhance child and elder care programs, and raise pension benefits. The new contract, which would run three years and be retroactive to May 28, 1995, includes improvements to the firm's self-insured **point** -of-service plan for active workers. As of January 1, 1996, workers who receive care from network providers would receive total coverage for eligible **medical** expenses. No annual deductible or coinsurance payment would be required.

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00107951

How a POS/Minimum Premium Plan Saved One Co. Over \$100,000.

IOMA's Report on Reducing Benefits Costs, no95-6 pp 1, 10-11 Jun 1995

ISSN/ISBN: 1056-7984 DOC TYPE: journal article JOURNAL CODE: IOMAR

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: While managed care represents the most popular cost control options, there are alternatives, including minimum premium plans. These plans are similar to self-insurance and can provide substantial cost savings for small and midsized employers with good claims experience. Stores Automated Systems implemented the minimum premium approach and obtained improved coverage and lower costs to both the company and its workers. Premiums for individual coverage were about \$275 lower per month, while family coverage brought savings of about \$400 per month over the previous plan.

15/7/24 (Item 17 from file: 22)

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Defying Conventional Wisdom Flattened Medical Costs.

Curling, Kay R.

Employee Benefit News, v9 no5 pp 52-53 May 1995

ISSN/ISBN: 1044-6265 DOC TYPE: journal article

JOURNAL CODE: EMBNW

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: Systems Research and Applications Corporation obtained cost savings by deciding to defy convention wisdom calling for a more restrictive managed health care system to control its rising costs. The firm traded a point -of-service plan for a nongatekeeper PPO. The plan relies on the network of providers existing in its prior HMO plan, but augments them with additional leased providers. The new in-network benefits include nearly all the major hospitals in the area, and copayments for office visits remain the same as under the previous HMO plan. Educating workers about the new program was critical to its success.

15/7/25 (Item 18 from file: 22)

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00106133

Health Benefits in 1994.

104 pp 1994

KPMG Peat Marwick LLP DOC TYPE: monograph

NOTES: 27 tables; 69 charts

ABSTRACT: Health insurance premiums increased 4.8 percent between spring 1993 and spring 1994, the lowest rate of increase in premiums since 1986. Among plan types, PPOs had the smallest increase, 3.2 percent. Enrollment in managed care plans continued to grow from 1993 to 1994, with 65 percent of employees in firms with 200 or more employees enrolled in either an HMO, a PPO or a point -of-service plan. Managed care enrollment is particularly strong in the West, where four out of five employees have that type of coverage. Nationwide, almost half of the firms with 200 or more employees offer only one health plan. Overall, firms are adapting their health benefit plans to make them more cost effective. Changes include switching to managed care plans, dropping preexisting condition limitations and converting to community-rated HMOs.

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00100445

How Twin Cities Employers Are Reshaping Health Care.

Torchia, Marion

Business & Health, v12 no2 pp 30-32, 34, 36 Feb 1994

ISSN/ISBN: 0739-9413

DOC TYPE: journal article

JOURNAL CODE: BSHLT NOTES: 1 table

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: Employers in the Minneapolis and St. Paul metropolitan area formed a coalition that began offering workers a new health care plan in January 1993. The plan operates as an integrated system of care. In 1994,

the group found that comes per employee are ten percent average costs of the HMO options previously offered. Costs have risen between four and five percent during the program's first year of operation, compared to average increases of seven to eight percent in the greater Minneapolis market. The point of service program allows enrollees to select care from a network of participating providers or go outside the network for coverage at a lower reimbursement rate. The network is large and highly standardized, since all participating employers have agreed to use one benefit design.

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00096533

A Report Card on HMOs.

Perry, Nancy J.

Fortune, v127 no13 pp 110-112, 114 Jun 28, 1993

ISSN/ISBN: 0015-8259 DOC TYPE: journal article

JOURNAL CODE: FORTU

ABSTRACT: Many people are leery of the kind of care they will obtain through HMOs. They believe that HMOs will dispense cheap medicine that does more harm than good. However, HMOs are looming large in the future of most Americans as national health care reforms come closer to reality. In actuality, HMOs deliver good care, and surveys indicate that patient satisfaction with the care they receive in an HMO is higher than in other health insurance programs. The greatest area of concern may be the way HMOs treat the elderly, however. Medicare beneficiaries are vulnerable to misleading HMO marketing, according to the Medicare Advocacy Project.

15/7/28 (Item 21 from file: 22)

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00096396

Universal Health Insurance Down Under.

Walker, Brent

Tillinghast: Emphasis, no1993-2 pp 2-5 1993

DOC TYPE: journal article

JOURNAL CODE: EMPHS

NOTES: 3 charts

ABSTRACT: Australia established a type of national health insurance system in 1953. Health insurance is purchased mainly by individuals, but some companies provide coverage for their employees. More companies are beginning to self-insure. About five percent of the population is not covered by the private health insurers. The Australian Medicare system provides benefits for services delivered by physicians on an outpatient basis and in hospitals. Benefits are paid to doctors directly or to patients as reimbursements . The system also makes grants to state governments to help them provide care at point of service public hospitals. HMOs and PPOs have not developed in Australia. The country's real expenditures for health care have increased by about four percent per year since the early 1980s.

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Health Care: Provider, Manufacturer Strike Deal on \$20 Million Direct Care Agreement.

Benefits Today, v10 no2 p 26 Jan 22, 1993

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JOURNAL CODE: BNTOD

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: In Oregon, a local health care system has agreed to provide health care services to the employees of a local manufacturer for a set fee. The fee will total \$20 million over a three-year period. The innovative features of the agreement include preventive care at a fixed price, health care cost decreases for the employer, and no involvement by a third party insurance firm. Legacy Health System, a five-hospital provider, will begin to care for 2,700 workers of Precision Castparts Corporation, and their 4,300 dependents, on April 1, 1993. The exact price and details of the agreement are yet to be negotiated, but its basic elements have been established.

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The Direct Provider Contracting Option.

Drummer, Kenneth W.

Managing Employee Health Benefits, v1 no1 pp 8-12 Fall 1992

ISSN/ISBN: 1065-3937

DOC TYPE: journal article

JOURNAL CODE: MEMHB

NOTES: 1 chart

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: Large employers have increasingly implemented managed care strategies. These strategies rely on a strong network of health care providers for their success. Employers can either use existing networks created by insurance firms, or they can create their own networks through direct negotiations with providers. When considering the establishment of their own network, employers must consider certain issues, including due diligence, access to care, liability, antitrust issues, method of provider payment or reimbursement, penalties and disincentives, grievance procedures, and administrative requirements. Employers should establish realistic goals for their cost control savings and choose the managed care plan that will best achieve these savings.

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Employee Vision Benefit.

Rosenthal, Jesse

Employee Benefit Issues - The Multiemployer Perspective - 1991, pp 280-283 1992

International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans; Brookfield, WI

ISSN/ISBN: 0-89154-434-8 DOC TYPE: proceedings paper

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: Vision care is not commonly offered as an employee benefit, with only about 35 percent of full time employees having vision care plans, but it is relatively inexpensive to provide. The costs of such programs will not rise unpredictably because of restricted utilization. The benefits can also be used to compensate for increased copayments and deductibles in general medical insurance. Vision PPOs facilitate introduction of the benefit, since they allow the cost effective provision of quality care. They should include a wholesale laboratory and full administrative services. Vision care benefits are highly appreciated by a large percentage of employees.

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00089609

O Canada: Do We Expect Too Much From Its Health System?

Sheils, John F.; Young, Gary J.; Rubin, Robert J.

Health Affairs, v11 no1 pp 7-20 Spring 1992

ISSN/ISBN: 0278-2715 DOC TYPE: journal article

JOURNAL CODE: HLTAF

NOTES: 3 tables; references

ABSTRACT: Legislators have suggested implementing a Canadian-style health care system in the United States. They believe such a system will save money through simplified administrative procedures. Critics note, however, that there would be greater demand resulting from universal insurance provided virtually for free at the point of service. Research has found tensions existing between the objectives of administrative efficiency and cost containment. Eliminating patients' cost sharing burden and using utilization management may reduce administrative costs, but it also removes incentives for patients and providers to moderate their use of health services. Critics of Canada's system believe that it would be better to pursue administrative savings through reforms of the small group insurance market, electronic claims filing, standardized coverage and reimbursement rules, and simplification of administrative requirements in existing programs.

15/7/33 (Item 26 from file: 22)

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Health Insurance: Non-Smokers' Discount Added to Banc One Corp. Benefit Plans.

Benefits Today, v9 no4 p 55 Feb 21, 1992

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JOURNAL CODE: BNTOD

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: Employees of Banc One Corporation who do not smoke will be paying \$5 less each month for health insurance premiums than employees who do smoke. The bank holding firm implemented this new policy as of January 1, 1992. The company also extended the policy to optional group life insurance and long term disability coverage. The company hopes to make employees aware that lifestyle decisions have an effect on health care costs.

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Benefits Policy: Health Care Cost Shifting to Employees Has Peaked, Report Says.

BNA Pension Reporter, v19 no8 pp 341-342 Feb 24, 1992

ISSN/ISBN: 0095-7100 DOC TYPE: journal article

JOURNAL CODE: BNAPR

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: The cost shifting of health care, which includes higher deductibles and copayments, has probably reached its highest level,

according to the HayGroup, and any future variations in the practices will have little impact on employer costs. Both employers and employees face problems resulting from rising health care costs and the unavailability of affordable coverage. The HayGroup believes that true cost control programs, such as wellness incentives, will become more popular with employers in the near future.

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00088203

Change and Growth in Managed Care.

Hoy, Elizabeth W.; Curtis, Richard E.; Rice, Thomas

Health Affairs, v10 no4 pp 18-36 Winter 1991

ISSN/ISBN: 0278-2715 DOC TYPE: journal article

JOURNAL CODE: HLTAF

NOTES: 4 tables; 6 charts; references

ABSTRACT: Managed care has emerged as the best way for employers to control increasing health care costs. The design and development of employer based managed care plans is provided to a great degree by the commercial insurance industry. Because of managed care's rapid development, no consensus concerning an ideal managed care strategy has developed. Managed care trendsetters are using more cost effective reimbursement methods. They tend to use provider profiling measures more often, and they are more likely to renew provider contracts in a selective manner. These practices offer evidence in support of strategies that encourage efficient providers, rather than those that rely on measures such as negotiated discounts and utilization review.

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00087487

Next Stage in Cost-Cut Quest.

Strazewski, Len

Crain's Chicago Business, v14 no47 pp T1, T8 suppl. Nov 25, 1991

ISSN/ISBN: 0149-6956 DOC TYPE: journal article JOURNAL CODE: CRCHG

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NOTES: 1 chart

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: In an effort to control spiraling health care costs, many employers are turning to managed health care networks, also known as open ended HMOs. These point of service plans combine the group discounts of PPOs with the medical practice economies of HMOs. Employees are encouraged to use the networks through a system of incentives and disincentives. Employees who participate in the network are rewarded with low copayments and 100 percent coverage, while employees who go outside the network must pay higher deductibles and receive reduced coverage.

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00086971

Picking a Medical Plan.

Kritz, Francesca Lunzer

U.S. News & World Report, v111 no19 pp 77-80 Nov 4, 1991

ISSN/ISBN: 0041-5537 DOC TYPE: journal article JOURNAL CODE: USNWR NOTES: 1 table; 1 chart

ABSTRACT: Health care insurance rates are expected to rise between 13 and 20 percent in 1992. Many employers have panicked at the thought of high health costs and have provided incentives for employees to select health care options that reduce company expenses. Employees should realize that these options will not necessarily reduce their costs, however. Most employees continue to select traditional fee for service coverage, but they should examine other, potentially less expensive, options, such as point of service plans or PPOs.

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The New Significance of Rx Cards.

Dichter, Elizabeth

California Broker, v9 no9 pp 42, 44-45 Jun 1991

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AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: In order to effectively manage pharmaceutical care, a comprehensive managed network of providers is necessary. Competitive reimbursement for acute and maintenance drugs, as well as point of service electronic technology, a sophisticated claims system, an online drug utilization review program, and online incentives to encourage generic drug substitution are also necessary elements of an effective managed care program. Research has shown that claims processing costs under typical major medical plans average between \$4 and \$8 per prescription, while automated prescription management systems can be implemented for less than one dollar per prescription.

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00082502

The New Medicare Physician Fee Schedule: Cost-Shifting Dangers for Employers.

Zilg, Robert J.

Benefits Law Journal, v4 nol pp 75-83 Spring 1991

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NOTES: 1 table; references

AVAILABILITY: International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans

ABSTRACT: Medicare will begin the implementation of its physician payment fee schedule in 1992. The fee schedule was designed to control continuing cost increases experienced in Part B of the Medicare program. Employers may see more cost shifting in their group health care plans as physicians attempt to make up revenues lost through changes in Medicare 's reimbursement policies. In the short term, concern about the potential effects of Medicare 's resource based relative value scale could make programs like PPOs, HMOs or point of service plans more attractive than traditional group medical plans to both employees and employers.

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Employer Strategies in Managing Prescription Drug Costs.

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ABSTRACT: Costs for prescription drug benefits have grown for employers because of higher costs per prescription and increased utilization. Pharmaceuticals, especially newly introduced drugs, have experienced substantial cost hikes. The Consumer Price Index indicated that these costs rose 7.9 percent between 1987 and 1988. A number of new cost containment products for prescription drug benefits have been introduced. Among these are point of sale options, mandated mail order, in house pharmacies, and drug utilization reviews. Employers should be willing to try new plan designs and to enforce the changes, if their attempts at cost control are to be effective.

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Kaiser Pact Includes Employee Cost-Sharing.

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ABSTRACT: The Service Employees International Union Local 49, representing Kaiser Permanente nonprofessional employees in Oregon and southwest Washington, ratified a three year contract on July 17, 1988, thereby ending a strike. Part time employees working over 20 hours per week agreed to a schedule of copayments for medical, dental, and prescription drug coverage. The point of service fees will be prorated according to the number of hours worked per week; Kaiser will continue to fund full premium costs. Previously, these employees received fully paid medical and dental coverage. Part time benefits have played a major role in the collective bargaining between Kaiser and the SEIU as well as with two nurses' unions.

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Allied-Signal, CIGNA Corp. Bring Managed Care Plan to 67,000 Employees.

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ABSTRACT: CIGNA Corp. will administer Health Care Connection, the most comprehensive managed health care plan to date, for Allied Signal Inc., the plan's sponsor. Advantages include cost containment, a prime consideration, and flexibility in the point of service approach. Services are comprehensive, with use of patient advocates, thorough employee education in plan options and managed dental care programs with such electives as adult orthodontia. Employee reaction is reportedly enthusiastic; if the program is successful, the sponsor will probably extend the program to all of its employees.

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